

SOCIALISTS HOLD CONVENTIONS

In This City, Monday, June 6th.

Nominate Candidate for Congress, Also Full County Ticket—Adopt the National Platform.

The first territorial convention of the socialist party was held in the Odd Fellows hall in this city on Monday of this week. The convention was called to order at 9:15 by D. M. Martin, chairman of the territorial central committee, and F. M. Senteney, of Groom Creek, was selected for temporary chairman and W. M. Wood, of Prescott, temporary secretary. On assuming the chair Mr. Senteney made a short address, in which he expressed himself as pleased to preside over the first territorial convention of the socialists ever held in Arizona. He stated that he had presided over the first farmers' alliance convention held in California, and had been in the reform movement now for more than twenty years. He said that he had always believed in organized labor so far as it went, but he felt that labor organizations were ineffective to give the wage earners the relief that they needed, for they might belong to unions until they were gray-headed and as long as they kept on voting against their interests they would never better their condition, materially. Mr. Senteney has been an honorable and upright citizen of this county for a number of years, and his sincerity in the cause cannot be questioned.

The territorial committee, composed of the following gentlemen, was appointed a credentials committee: J. D. Martin, Phoenix; H. H. Kays, Groom Creek; C. R. Cooper, Kingman; J. R. Barnette, Globe; and A. G. Swanson, Tucson. The following delegates were given seats in the convention: C. R. Cooper, Kingman; J. R. Barnette, Globe; J. D. Martin, Phoenix; R. B. Dawson, Phoenix; A. G. Swanson, Tucson; S. S. Ballard, Jerome; J. M. Sullivan, Jerome; Eugene H. Godat, McCabe; Chris Hanson, McCabe; F. M. Senteney, Groom Creek; H. H. Kays, Groom Creek; W. M. Gibbons, Groom Creek; John Michaels, S. J. Gnah, H. D. Norton, W. M. Wood, W. W. Gush, C. W. Hicks, W. H. Reiterman, P. L. Clure, Prescott.

Eugene H. Godat, of McCabe, was then elected permanent chairman and W. M. Wood permanent secretary. On assuming the chair Mr. Godat made a few remarks on the principles of socialism. He agreed with Mr. Senteney that labor organizations, without proper action at the ballot box, would never give the laboring men the relief they needed which was emancipation from the present competitive system. He had been prominently identified with socialism for nearly thirty years, but he was thoroughly disgusted with seeing men make so many pretensions and then vote in exactly the opposite direction to which they talked. Unionism, he declared, would never of itself meet the needs of the masses of the people. Socialism would do away with the necessity for any unions of either capital or labor.

A committee on platform and constitution was then appointed, and an adjournment taken until 1:00 o'clock p. m. At 1:00 o'clock the convention reassembled, and the first business transacted was the selection of J. R. Barnette, of Globe, as vice chairman.

A finance committee was appointed, composed of the following delegates: Messrs. Kays, Barnette, Cooper, Martin, Swanson, Dawson, Ballard, Hanson.

A lengthy report was read from the territorial secretary, Albert Ryan, of Jerome, who was in Denver in attendance on the convention of the W.

F. M. and could not be present. The committee on platform and constitution then reported and the constitution was adopted with only a few minor changes. The platform was read and adopted as follows:

PLATFORM.

The socialists of the Territory of Arizona, in convention assembled, at Prescott, June 6, 1904, declare their allegiance to the principles set forth in the platform of the socialist party of America, adopted at Chicago, May 6, 1904.

"In every thinking quarter it is recognized that the present industrial and political conditions are intolerable. The system of wealth production has reached a stage of efficiency unparalleled, but it is evident that there are defects of a most serious character in the system of wealth distribution. Socialists believe that the only correct analysis of economic conditions, and that only by the inauguration of their policies under working class administration can grave disasters be averted and social peace be secured. Vast resources are already at work to perpetuate injustice, and we warn the working class that only by prompt and vigorous action can they preserve their liberties and material advantages which they now enjoy.

"The vast majority of the people are at the mercy of an industrial despotism which stands athwart the path of social progress. In the midst of prodigious plenty we have the anomaly of want and revolting degradation of vast masses of the people. Labor, which produces all wealth, is denied the enjoyment of its product, and is forced to accept in wages a small proportion of the value of that which it creates. The capitalists, in complete control of the machinery of wealth distribution, fail to provide for those dependent upon them, and stand indicted before the bar of civilization for criminal incapacity in the discharge of the social trust which devolves upon them. We, therefore, demand the abolition of the institution of private property in the MEANS OF PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION, and the inauguration of an industrial democracy which shall guarantee to every producer of wealth the full value of his product.

"The tool of production, which were formerly simple and owned by the individual workers, are no longer in their possession. The simple tool has grown into the machine of today, but with the change from individual to social machinery there has been no corresponding change from individual to collective ownership. As a consequence the workers, having no property interest in the machinery of production, find their right to labor and to live dependent upon the pleasure and profit of the capitalist class. By their ownership of the means of production and distribution, the capitalists dominate the industrial situation, and have reduced the workers to a condition of dependency and virtual slavery.

"The supremacy of the capitalists in the industrial world is complete as in the industrial world. Practically all laws are enacted in their behalf. Executive officials consult and protect the interests of the capitalists. The judiciary are shaped to suit their needs and pleasures. They are able, by threats of loss of employment, to coerce the wage earners into voting for capitalist parties and policies. The individual liberty of the citizen—the cornerstone of democratic government—is curtailed, and the public character of our institutions is destroyed. The government agencies, instead of being directed for the good of the whole people, are controlled by the capitalists, whose necessities and desires become the written law of the land. Private property, and not human liberty, is made the basis of social ethics; and press, pulpit and the schools are practically for the purpose of perpetuating the life of capitalism.

"Between the possessing class and the working class there is a constant struggle over the division of the products of labor. The workers, in seeking to better their condition by securing higher wages, can only realize their ambition by decreasing the profits of their employers. One of this conflict of interests come the strikes, lockouts, boycotts, and those disturbances which keep the body of society in constant turmoil. As long as these conflicting interests exist, so long will the social peace be disturbed.

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REBUILDING OF FORT WHIPPLE

Good Appropriation for Next Year.

War Department Apportions One Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Dollars for Construction.

A telegram to the Los Angeles Times states that out of the appropriation bill passed at the last session of Congress, \$187,500 has been appropriated to Whipple Barracks, to continue the reconstruction of that military post.

The expenditure of this amount of money will make a decided showing towards the rehabilitation of the post. This sum amounts to over \$100,000 more than the buildings under construction at present will cost when completed, the contract price of these being as follows: Barracks building, \$38,924.50; officers' quarters, \$17,114.50; quartermaster's storehouse, \$29,673.00, or a total for all the buildings of \$85,712.00.

To duplicate these buildings and add \$100,000 worth more will give the post a degree of permanency in appearance which will be most gratifying. Major Walcutt has no advice at present in reference to the buildings which may be ordered next.

AN ACCIDENT AVERTED.

Boy Comes Near Being Electrocuted By Trolley Wire.

Last Friday afternoon while a Journal-Miner man was riding along West Gurley street on a bicycle he noticed two boys in the act of pulling a telephone wire across the trolley wire. The oldest boy looked like he was about 14 years of age, and the youngest about 10 or 12 years of age. They were in the employ of the Sunset Telephone company, and in attempting to cross Gurley street with the wire they were doing the same as they had been in the habit of doing with the insulated electric light wires, simply tying a rope to the wire and pulling it over. The older of the two lads had fastened the wire to the trolley wire, while the other was holding on to the wire and guiding it. There was a large coil of wire lying on the street car track, which completely grounded the wire as soon as it touched the trolley. Just as the telephone wire was within three or four feet of the trolley wire the Journal-Miner man yelled at the boy to let loose, which he did just in the nick of time, as the other boy was holding the wire which resembled a streak of lightning and was burned into a crisp. And if the lad had not let go of the wire just as he did he would have been electrocuted, as the trolley wire was carrying about 575 volts of electricity at the time.

FOR MANUAL TRAINING.

An entertainment was given in the high school auditorium last evening for the benefit of the manual training fund. The following very interesting program was rendered:

Concert.

Piano Solo Miss Mannix
Rhapsodie Honroisse No. 6.....List
Vocal Solo Mr. Bailey
Clarence McFadden, as Sung by
Chas. Reed.

Fencing Match Three Bouts
Messrs. Fournier and McMahon.

Vocal Solo Mr. Hilderbrand
Sunset Dudley Buck

SHAKESPEAREAN PARCE
"Peach and Dainties."

or, "The Ladies Speak at Last."

Juliet Mrs. Bate

Portia Mrs. Ross

Ophelia Mrs. Munds

Lady Macbeth Mrs. Brown

Ghost Scene. Duet and Tableau.

The ladies have about \$400 in the manual training fund. During the past two years the Monday club has raised \$1,500, which has been applied to the public schools in various ways.

MINING NEWS

Theo. L. Lammers, of Duluth, Minn., who recently visited this section, is a mining engineer of international reputation, a man whose opinion of mines is very valuable. During his visit here he visited the Rapid Transit mine, and the Bradshaw mountain section generally, in company with Count Mentschikoff. Unsolicited he wrote the Count the following flattering letter in reference to that section:

"Regarding the Rapid Transit mine, I am pleased to say that I was very favorably impressed by it. The geology of the Bradshaw is very favorable for ore depositions; the vein is a true fissure of good size, and will undoubtedly go down to considerable depth. Judging from the history of other mines in the vicinity, the ore will probably change into a gold ore with greater depth. While you have about 1,000 tons of good milling ore in the dumps, and quite considerable ore on the lower levels of the mine, the work so far done is to be considered mainly as prospecting. To develop the mine it must be opened to a greater depth, say 500 feet any way. When that is done I am quite convinced that you will have a paying mine."

A small amount of development has also been done on the eastern side of the mountain with equally satisfactory results, and everything points to the making of a big and good producing mine. It is a well known fact that placer gold has been found in the gulches, both on the Skull valley side of the mountain and on the side towards Prescott, and it has been the theory of mining men for a long time that a rich mine, or that rich mines, would be found in these mountains.

Unless all the mining signs fail the Derby Mining Company has one of them. Very little ore has been stopped yet. Mr. Young having used all his energies in development. The success of the company means much to the city of Prescott, as it is located right at the gates of the city, so to speak. If the ordinary rules of mining coupled with good economical management count for anything there does not seem to be any possibility for failure. Certainly Mr. Young is entitled to be congratulated for the success achieved as far as he has gone with the development, and if there is a mine in the Sierra Prieta mountains to him will belong the honor of making it, as he is practically the pioneer in that district, although considerable work has been done on other claims there with very encouraging results et cetera et cetera.

Prospect also. In addition to the mineral which the property contains, the claims are well timbered, and it is estimated that there is \$40,000 worth of timber on them.

ADVERTISED LETTER LIST.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Prescott, Ariz., Post office for the week ending June 6, 1904:

Aaron J. A. Kent, Walter.
Adams, J. Q. King, Frank S.
Anderson, R. S. Keldale, Miss Nel
Andrews, D. F. D. lace, E.
Arce, A. W. Deahy, A.
Bell, L. R. Long, Mrs. Hannal
Barrington, D. M. McAlpen, Frank.
Blewett, W. M. McCullen, Mrs. S.
Biewett, H. A. McNie, C. R.
Bernard, L. Marlow, Miss Violen
Blinnis, Mrs. H. Myers Feddy.
Brown, W. H. V. Myers, Henry M.
Brown, Mrs. L. J. Merrett, Mrs. J. B.
Burns, W. F. Newsome, Robert.
Caveport, J. W. Stacey, C. B.
Danton, E. W. Scoley, Tom.
Dell, A. Third, Bert.
Faltz, A. Stewart, William.
Gibbs, A. Sandstrom, Victor.
Hallick, S. Smith, A. A.
Hickman, Mrs. Trevena, James.
Huskin, Mrs. A. Thumler, T. M.
Hildebrand, J. Toben, R. T.
Hurregged, J. Thomas Bell, Mrs.
Hunt, G. Vagueuse, G. E.
Jones, J. W. Williams, C. W.
Hurley, H. W. Willy, W. E.
Johnson, G. A. Wiley, N.
Johnson, M. Wardell, Wm.

SPANISH.

A. Caecio. Rosa Cadepara.
Bernabe Kesana. Juan Ribera.
Dorniceo Palma. Manuel Tryillo.
Parties calling for any of the above letters will please say advertised.

A. L. SMITH, P. M.

Mr. McCanton has struck rich gold ore near the Amulet mine, on Lynx creek, which assays into the thousands. Six tons averaged \$200 per ton in gold.

There is no reason to doubt that the same conditions may be found here. With a mill on the property at the present time, the money already expended in development could be more than taken out, but further development will be prosecuted. Experimental tests of the ore were made at the mill of the Last Chance mine which proved highly satisfactory and proved the richness of the ore. Mr. Young is working the property very economically and is making every dollar expended in it tell to the best advantage, as can be seen by anyone visiting it and taking into consideration the amount of work done and the cost of it.

There are three or more veins on the claim, and all dip towards the shaft, and every indication is that at a greater depth they will come together, when a good body of high grade sulphurets may be expected to be encountered. This is the history of other mines similarly situated and there is no reason to doubt that the same conditions may be found here.

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Equitable Life Assurance Company.

FACTS WORTH KNOWING BY ALL.

The policies now on the books of the Equitable Life Assurance Society number 513,965, covering assurance of \$1,409,918,742.

The Equitable Society's surplus is larger, by many millions, than that of any other company, and the Equitable is, as it has been for nearly a quarter of a century, "the strongest in the world."

During the last ten years, the Equitable Life Assurance Society has paid to its policy holders an average payment of nearly three and one quarter millions annually for ten years. This largely exceeds the amounts paid by any other company for a similar purpose. After paying out so large an amount there is left in the Equitable for future distribution at the dates when it falls due, an amount larger, by many millions, than is held by any other company.

The business written by the Equitable in 1903 was the largest in the Society's history, and the increase in outstanding assurance was also larger than during any previous year.

Increase in new business - - - - - \$4,798,024.00
Increase in outstanding assurance - - - \$117,472,147.00

The total payments to policy holders during 1903 were larger than any other company has ever paid during a single year, and the aggregate dividends also exceeded the largest sum paid by any other company, either during 1903 or during any previous year.

ANDREW J. HERNDON,
General Agent for Arizona,
Room 16, Bashford Bldg., Prescott, Arizona.

IN THE SOCIAL WORLD.
Happenings of a Week in Social Circles in Prescott.

The Yavapai Club has recently been the scene of a number of very brilliant social functions given by wives of members of the club. On Thursday afternoon, June 2, Manager R. E. Pelow, of the club, gave a complimentary musicale to the wives of the members and a number of invited guests. With chairs drawn, the hall room was brilliantly illuminated for the occasion, the chairs being grouped in the room in semicircles, and the floors covered with costly Indian rugs, giving it the appearance of a commodious family parlor. The music was under the direction of B. R. Smith and Charles Bascom, the first number on the program being "The Yavapai Club."

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T. U., and taking second prize, with very close call for first place. "The Bird's Nest" was sung by pupils of the first and second grades, and they did it well.

The closing piece of the evening was a lullaby song by the children of the fourth grade, and they carried out the idea of the song beautifully, and when the curtain went down each child was seemingly fast, fast asleep.

On Friday night the exercises were conducted by the pupils of the eighth grade and the high school, the opening number being a chorus by the pupils of the two grades, which was heartily received, and an encore was responded to.

A patriotic drama was then presented by the boys of the eighth grade, entitled "The Boys of '76," and the act was presented in a masterly manner by the following boys, who covered themselves all over with glory, and the appreciative audience loudly cheered them several times during the rendition: Tom Higley, general; George Dages, colonel; David Ling, captain; Don Tomlinson, village doctor; Chas. Hossia, major of Hessian soldiers; Clarence Stewart, Hessian soldier who joins U. S. army.

Misses Hazel Martin and Edith Gattfield then played a piano duet, which was received with hearty applause.

The crowning number of the entire exercises was then presented by the pupils of the high school, entitled "Mr. Bob." This was a drama in two acts, and the boys and girls acted their parts in a way that would have done credit to professionals. The act required fully an hour to produce it, and things were doing every second of the time, and the tangled scene that started in because one woman had a little secret, kept getting worse and worse tangled until it seemed for a while that things never would get straightened out.

The large audience followed every word of the actors with breathless interest until the final explanation came, which set everything right and made all parties happy. The young people showed every careful study of their parts, and during the entire production there was not a second of hesitation, and no prompting was required. The following boys and girls took part in the drama: Edith Gattfield, as "Mr. Bob"; Mamie Davis, as "Kitty"; Elaine Woster as "Patsy"; Anna Myers as "Aunt Rebecca"; Tom Coleman as "Stimpkins"; Arthur Calles as "Mr. Brown"; and Harold Elliott as "Philip Royson."

Miss Gale was on the program for a vocal solo, but on account of sudden illness was unable to be present, and by request Misses Hazel Martin and Edith Gattfield rendered another piano duet, and it was so well rendered that the audience would not be satisfied until an encore was responded to, which the little ladies did graciously.

The closing number was a chorus by the girls of the eighth grade, and they did splendidly, receiving many words of praise.

After the audience had dispersed, the hall was cleared and the young folks enjoyed themselves for a couple of hours with dancing.

On Thursday evening the exercises were conducted by the kindergarten and the first seven grades of the school, each one of the grades being represented on the program.

The first number was a May pole dance by the children of the kindergarten, and it is safe to say that nothing prettier was ever executed in this city by any class of small children. There were about forty little girls in the dance, each holding a ribbon in the boys holding the red and the girls the white ones. After little Florence Sheard, only five years of age, had recited in a manner that was a credit to a high school pupil, Tennyson's beautiful poem, "To Be Queen of the May, Mother," the dance by the forty little girls began and the numerous drills were executed with remarkable skill, producing an effect that captivated the entire audience, as evidenced by the hearty applause.

Oliver Nelson, of the second grade, recited "The Wind's Offering," in a most creditable manner.

Miss Frances Claypool, also of the second grade, recited "Daddy's Thought" in a manner that brought forth a hearty applause.

A number of little girls of the fifth grade were dressed in long white robes with a red ribbon wrapped around them to give the appearance of striped sticks of candy. They sang "Peppermint Sticks," and the girls did look sweet enough to be candy.

A concert recitation by children from the second grade entitled "Our Flag," was rendered beautifully.

This was followed by a flag song by children of the first and second grades.

Jack Claypool, of the sixth grade, recited "The Old Fisherman" in an artistic manner and received a hearty applause.

One of the cutest numbers on the program was the recitation of "The Elephant's Children," by the children of the first grade.

Miss Mamie Bond, of the seventh grade, rendered a piano solo that was highly appreciated by the audience and loudly applauded. Miss Mamie exhibited great ability as a musician and her rendition was faultless, her time and touch being perfect in every particular.

A huge song was given by the pupils of the fourth grade and like all the concert work of the evening showed careful training and good work on the part of teachers and pupils.

One of the prettiest things of the evening was the flag drill, by the girls of the third grade. The different maneuvers were executed in splendid time and without a mistake, every girl doing her part like clockwork.

Miss Maud Thomas recited "The President's Boy," in her usual splendid manner. Miss Maud is quite talented as a speaker, having taken prominent part in the territorial convention, and under the auspices of the W. C.

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MEET DEATH IN MINE DISASTER

Fatal Fire Occurs at Hackberry Mine.

Two Miners at Work in Mine and One Man Attempting Their Rescue Dead.

A horrible accident occurred at the Hackberry mine last Thursday morning, resulting in the destruction of the hoist house and the loss of three lives. The building enclosing the hoist was built directly over the shaft, and at an early hour on Thursday morning the lamp used for lighting it exploded, scattering burning oil through the interior of the building. Before help could be summoned by the only man in the building at the time the flames had made such headway that it was impossible to stop their progress until the building was totally destroyed. The fire also crept down the shaft, burning out the timbers for about ten feet.

Two men were at work on the 400-foot level at the time of the accident, and the hoist engineer attempted to communicate with them to notify them of the fire, but could not get any response. The miners were named Mason King and Perry Hawkins.

Word was immediately sent to McCabe for assistance, and a number of miners promptly responded, and came to the relief of their imperiled brothers. Frank Kearney, one of the rescuers, attempted to go down the shaft, but had only gone a short distance until he was overcome by the fumes in the shaft and tumbled headlong down to the bottom of the shaft.

All day Thursday and all night the men worked heroically to clear the shaft of the deadly fumes, a gasoline engine and blower being employed for that purpose. On Friday morning another effort was made to descend, but the fumes were so thick that the purpose was also overcome and brought to the surface unconscious, and recovered from the effects. Still the work of pumping air into the shaft went on, and later a dog was lowered into the shaft and was nearly suffocated by the deadly fumes.

It was not until late Friday night that the shaft was cleared of the fumes, so that it could be entered, and when it was accomplished the lifeless forms of Hawkins and King were found in the 220-foot level, where they had climbed in an endeavor to reach a place of safety, but were overcome by the smoke and fumes. The body of Kearney was recovered later from the bottom of the shaft where it had fallen.

All the bodies were taken to McCabe, where they were buried on Saturday under the auspices of the Miners' union of that place, all of the men being members of that order.

Kearney had been working at McCabe, having gone from there to McCabe only a short time since.

The Hackberry mine is being worked by the Geo. A. Treadwell Mining Company, and Superintendent E. D. Treadwell did everything in his power to hasten the rescue of his imperiled miners.

RAILWAY CLERK
Placed on the Railroad Between Prescott and Middleton.

Another improvement